

Patent Application of J.Coyne & R.Coyne for Pine Straw Claw

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ABSTRACT

A raking device designed to more safely and easily reach and remove pine straw and leaves from roofs of houses. When used in conjunction with a telescopic or other long pole this device can be utilized by a homeowner while standing at ground level or on a ladder. The height and pitch of a roof will dictate where a homeowner should position himself in order to reach and remove pine straw and leaves. The use of this device with a telescopic or other long pole minimizes and often eliminates the need to risk climbing and walking on a roof. Formed of resilient, flexible, lightweight material, the Pine Straw Claw has a central housing support structure, a female flange fitting and a plurality of flexible curved tines. The tines are of varying length and thickness. When slight pressure is applied to the top surface of a connecting pole the flexible tines mold themselves to flat roof areas. The unique design of this device also causes the tines to mold themselves to the contours of v-shaped roof areas formed when two or more pitched roof sections meet. It is in these v-shaped roof areas where pine straw and leaves tend to gather and remain.